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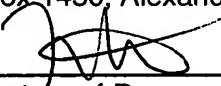
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Dear Sir:

This amendment is filed in response to the Final Office Action mailed February 22, 2006. Applicant notes that in the Final Office Action, claim 6 was deemed allowable and claims 1-5 and 7-20 were rejected. By this amendment, claims 1, 7, 8, 11-13 and 16 are amended, claims 3, 6 and 7 are cancelled without prejudice and

claims 21-23 are added. It is respectfully submitted that all the remaining claims define allowable subject matter.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 this paper.